

House Resolution No. 4335

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who bring glory and honor to themselves and to this great state through the excellence of their achievements in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

Whereas, Eric Litteken has attained considerable distinction as a Firefighter and Emergency Medical Technician with the Cottleville Fire Protection District; and

Whereas, on Wednesday, July 13, 2005, Eric Litteken was given public accolades by the Cottleville Fire Protection District Board of Directors in light of his actions while on duty on June 21, 2005, when the crew of 8730 responded to assist the Augusta Fire Department with a house fire; and

Whereas, when Eric Litteken and his two firefighter team members heard radio reports concerning the fire in the neighboring district, they responded immediately instead of waiting to be officially dispatched to help; and

Whereas, upon arrival at the scene, Eric Litteken and his crew entered the home's basement to search for a man reportedly trapped by multiple explosions despite not knowing the cause of the explosions; and

Whereas, Eric Litteken and his crew used a Thermal Imaging Camera to locate the victim behind a door and under a sink and then quickly removed him from the house and into the care of paramedic crews; and

Whereas, the quick actions of Eric Litteken undoubtedly saved the life of John Kirsch, a local businessman, husband, and father; and

Whereas, Eric Litteken is the beloved husband of Karen Litteken and the loving father of five-year-old Taylor, three-year-old Cole, and two-year-old Grant:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Eric Litteken and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his heroic actions on June 21, 2005, which saved the life of a fellow human being; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Eric Litteken of the Cottleville Fire Protection District.

Offered by _____
Representative Joe Smith
District No. 14

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4335, adopted August 29, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker